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in the last Presidential Election signing a petition, I can't see why a governing body of a municipality should have any fears. This seems to me a truly democratic way to handle this.

SENATOR KREMER: Well, I assure that I have had some feedback from these municipalities. I would say that I don't know, I would say that, I would hate to past a percentage on it, but over 50% of the municipalities do not want the ordinance of initiative referendum. They do not want it. Only as pertaining to this that we promised them last year with respect to floridation. And that is, we promised them that they would have the opportunity to vote out of this program if they still want it. Now, I'll have to support your bill because there is no other alternative, but I want to assure that most of these towns there do not want this ordinance.

SENATOR RICHARD LEWIS: Have 50% of the municipalities contacted you?

SENATOR KREMER: No, but the person who represents them has contacted me.

SENATOR RICHARD LEWIS: I have had no contact from any municipality.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion of the bill? Then the question is, shall LB 675 be advanced from General File to E & R initial. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. Voting on the advancement of LB 675. We are voting on the advancement of LB 675. Have you all voted?

SENATOR RICHARD LEWIS: I don't want to beg for votes here, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Yes, but the Chair doesn't want to either. Thank you. Clerk will record. Never mind. The Chair is under some obligation this morning to expedite this in that..

CLERK: 27 ayes, 4 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The body has responded that they want to work on General File and advance some bills. I would invite your..

CLERK: LB 645 (read)

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Richendifer.

SENATOR RICHENDIFER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. This bill merely allows a Cemetery Association or District to donate the property that does not have graves on to a nonprofit organization, with the permission of the Court. We have in the United States a National Conservatory, which has no money to purchase land. And the only way that they can receive this to preserve our heritage is by donations, and this bill merely allows this. I move that it be advanced to E & R Initial.

PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion of the bill? Then the question is, shall LB 645 be advanced from General File to E & R Initial. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. Have you all voted. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President.